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"The law of truth was in his mouth and iniquity was not found in his mouth." Mal. 2:6. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32.

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Women's Convention Inspiring

Dr. Mattie McGlothen and the women of the 39th Annual Women's International Convention met in Portland, Oregon May 16 - 21, 1989. The City of Roses, Portland laid down the red carpet and the entire community responded to the lovely women of the Church. The ladies came from around the world to attend daily services in the Portland Memorial Coliseum. The glory of the Lord was evident and the participants were blessed from the opening musical to the last service supporting missions.

One local saint of Portland commented how pleased they were to host the convention. The convention was an economic blessing to the community. Moreover, our spiritual elevation of life in Portland was noticeable. People in hotels, cab drivers and regular citizens commented very positively about the saints. Also, this proved to be an opportunity to showcase our organization, auxiliary support and how thousands of church women have a Holy Ghost time. The area supervisors of women should be glad for the positive showing the Church's women made. Mothers Mary L. Luie, Gertrude Young, Lula Cook, Daisy Griffin, Lossie Crear and Lillie Mae Howard spearheaded teams of busy workers. The ladies can be happy because the convention's activities reflected well of their commitment.

From opening night, the Memorial Coliseum was occupied with outstanding crowds of beautiful



Mother McGlothen addresses the Convention; Mother Crouch and Rivers listen with interest.

sanctified ladies. The musical committee headed by Mrs. Anna B. Ford delivered sweet music nightly. Local coordinator Mrs. Wendy Jackson pulled together talent from all over the Great Northwest area. Mrs. Pearlina Ford, Mrs. Mattie Moss Clark, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronell McGraw brought the listeners quality renditions. The Host bishops from the area were busy. Bishops Foster, Westbrook,

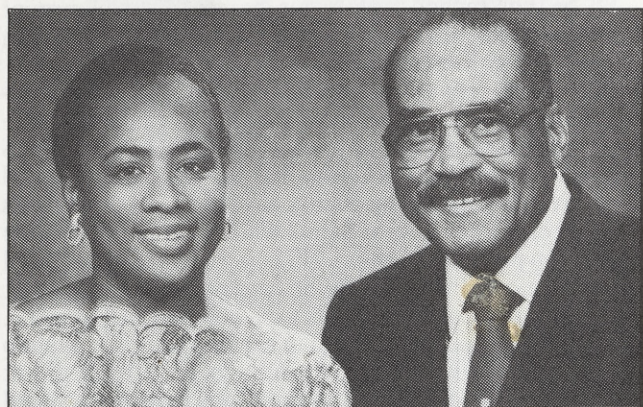
Hopkins, and Williams were highly visible and working to promote the success of the convention. All things were set in order, therefore, by the time the delegates settled in, the convention was pulled into gear.

Daily the delegates were met with prayer and exhortations given by Bishop Ithiel Clemmons and grand prayer warrior, Mother Elsie Shaw. An excellent Inspirational Team support the extended periods of Holy Ghost praise. Evangelists Drucilla Carter, Emily Bram-Bibby, E. M. Lawrence, Mattie Wigley, Frances Kelly, Maria Gardener, Ida Simpson-Daniels, and many others lifted the massive crowd. Daily it seemed that heaven came down to lift the delegation up. Bishop Clemmons commented to the Coliseum crowd, "God has got a calling on your life, God has got a calling on your soul. God is talking to you." Yes Lord! God spoke daily to the saints in the prayer, seminars, training sessions and inspirational messages on the theme. The Convention theme was "We Cannot Afford to Be Silent Anymore" and certainly COGIC women have something to say.

Mother McGlothen was radiant in her serene grace. She is truly the symbol of Motherhood and holiness among women. The convention was conducted well through the effective administration of Mother's chief lieutenants, Mothers Crouch, Bell, **more story and photos on page 6**

Wedding Bells Ring

On April 17, 1989, Bishop J. O. Patterson, Sr. took unto himself a bride. The scripture states in Proverbs 18:22, "Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favor of the Lord." How true this is, and our presiding officer happily wedded Sister Mary Peterson. The wedding ceremony was conducted in the privacy of the bishop's home and was witnessed by a few family and friends.



Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Patterson, Sr.

The marriage was planned prior to the surgery of the bishop, however, due to that surgery and the subsequent period of recuperation, the marriage was briefly delayed. Yet, true love and the Lord's will settled that.

Everyone knows Bishop Patterson, as his life is part of each of our own. For six terms he has been the spiritual leader of 3 million saints, the world over. We all wept with him after the demise of his beloved Deborah Mason Patterson; wife of the bishop for over fifty years. Now the saints have an opportunity to celebrate the union of our leader with a new First Lady.

Mrs. Mary H. Patterson is a Hoosier (person from Indiana) but has lived in Memphis, Tennessee for quite some time. She is a most capable woman,

owning a successful business in a tough profession. She is a long-time member of Pentecostal Temple Institutional Church of God In Christ. Her years of service to the Church are well known and recently, through the Saints Group Travel Association, she has aided in obtaining excellent travel rates for COGIC convention goers.

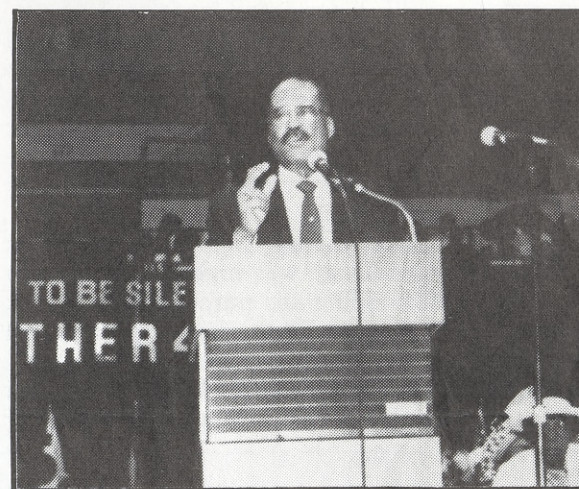
The happy couple agreed to announce their wedding through *The Whole Truth* at this time. Bishop's obligation to this massive Church and other related matters weighed heavily upon the decision. Our new First Family have only love and concern for the saints. In times such as these stability and continuity within the organization is essential. Who can better know the responsibility on the shoulders of our Leader?

The wedding ceremony was performed by Bishop J. O. Patterson, Jr. The ceremony was witnessed by Bishop and Mrs. J. H. Bell, Bishop W. L. Porter, Elder J. Delano Ellis, Elder A. Z. Hall and Deacon Calvin Miller. The ceremony was simple and dignified.

Now Bishop Patterson, Sr. is busy again with the affairs of the Church. He is not traveling much but did venture to Portland, Oregon and attended the Women's International Convention. It was the first trip for the new First Couple. The Pattersons are making ready to host a formal reception in Memphis. July 13, 1989 at the Peabody Hotel's Grand-ball Room is the scheduled time and date. The reception will be the social event of the year.

Our First Lady informed *The Whole Truth* that Bishop is resuming his activities as presiding officer. She commented, "My desire is to be a wife and source of support and comfort to Bishop Patterson. I also know the outstanding call upon his life. He has obligations, and I hope to help him in every way possible by having a tranquil and loving home for him to reside."

PB Takes Roses



"Presiding Bishop J. O. Patterson, Sr." the announcer went on to say, "is coming to Portland and address the Women's International Convention." The delegation seated in the Portland Memorial Coliseum started to buzz and respond with cheers of relief. The Church over the world has eagerly awaited the return of Bishop J. O. Patterson to center stage of the organization. Prayer for him has been a world-wide endeavor due to his serious illness, and the Saints wanted to see him in person. Now for the thousands assembled, their hopes and prayers would be answered, again they would hear the chief's magnificent voice lifted in ministry before the Church.

Mother Willie M. Rivers, who nightly gave the convention directives, seemed to perk up with anticipation as she spoke of his visit. The next evening, Friday, May 19, 1989 at 7:00 p.m. the Coliseum was filling up and electricity was in the air. The Board of Bishops, Board of Supervisions, Mother McGlothen and saints responded joyfully to the announcement that Bishop J. O. Patterson and the

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Bishop's Letter

My Brothers in Christ:

I greet you in the wonderful name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. May He grant you peace of mind and strength for our sojourn upon the earth.

I also take this means to again thank you for the concern shown me through the years, but more especially over the past two months. I trust you will continue with me in prayerful support.

While confined to the hospital, the Lord challenged me to lead the Church back to **old time traditional holiness**. He has directed that I exhort the Saints to return to observing Tuesdays and Fridays as holy fast days and acknowledging the Holy Bible as the guide for our Faith and daily living.

To better equip the Saints of the Church where I serve to be greater witnesses for the Lord; I initiated a service for the reading of the Word of God on Tuesday evenings. Likewise, on Friday evenings, we enjoy a full evening worship service.

The Bible Reading Service consists of the reading of a previously selected scripture, from the King James Version of the Bible, by the congregation in unison. This reading is followed by selected readers reading the same scriptures from the Revised Standard and New International Versions.

Our service is in compliance with the example set by the prophet of old;

"And the seed of Israel separated themselves from all strangers, and stood and confessed their sins, and the iniquities of their fathers."

And they stood up in their place, and read in the book of the law of the Lord their God one fourth part of the day; and another fourth part they confessed, and worshipped the Lord their God."

Nehemiah 9:2-3

"And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto the Lord; because he is good, for his mercy endureth forever toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid."

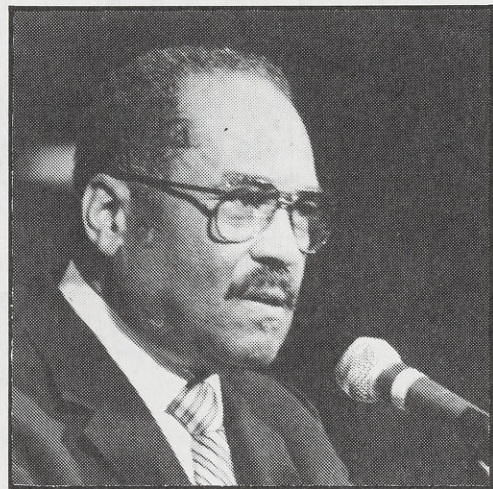
Ezra 3:11

These scriptures refer to the deeds, sacrifices and elation of the Saints over the laying of the foundation of the Temple of God. While we are following their example, the foundation we are laying is not a physical one but rather a spiritual one.

Our news media constantly present the ills of our society to us. It is heartbreaking to learn of our children being used as prostitutes, drug abusers and drug pushers. We weep when we learn of the rate of teen pregnancies, illiteracy and the rise in the number of AIDS victims. The homeless at home and abroad along with those who hunger or are dying of thirst are all to be of concern to us.

We cannot afford to do as the proverbial ostrich and go hide our heads in the sand. As God's people we **MUST** show compassion and concern for our fellowman.

We could very well be the instruments through which God will bring healing and peace to this world. We must, however, be willing to do as the Holy Scriptures exhorted the Saints of old to do;



Bishop J. O. Patterson

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

II Chronicles 7:14

The Bible Reading Service has been a tremendous blessing to us and a refreshing change. As it has blessed us, I know it will be a great spiritual blessing to your people and revival for our Churches.

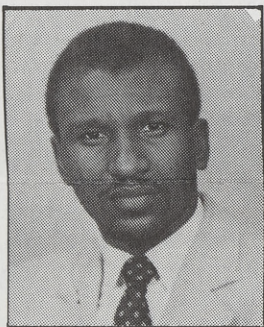
Please be assured that my prayer on your behalf continues to be *"That thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."*

Sincerely in Christ,

J. O. Patterson, Sr.
Presiding Bishop

Editorial

By Dr. David Hall



Dr. David Hall

indicates a massive over-flow crowd will attend. The auxiliary workers and delegates alike will come and enjoy many seminars and training sections, which characterize the ministry interest of the early summer meeting. There is literally something for everyone.

Bishop Perry is an old hand at coordinating such a large meeting. He served faithfully under Bishop Winbush for every year of the former Chairman's tenure. Their record of accomplishment speaks for itself. UNAC-5 has made the Church better, hence Bishop Perry has already established a record of labor and proven ability.

The entire UNAC-5 family knows the man for his work. Every auxiliary will highlight their own organizational training and purpose daily. Under Bishop Perry, they should continue to prosper and grow in their respective area of ministry.

Basically, to loose Bishop Winbush is a difficult thing to comprehend. Still, having a proven worker

Bishop F. E. Perry, the newly appointed Chairman of the United National Auxiliaries Convention - 5 is preparing to stand center stage July 3 - 8, 1989. He will preside over UNAC in Philadelphia. Pre-registration

and capable administrator like F. E. Perry to follow, is reassuring. Bishop Perry's endeavors and energies equal that of his predecessor. Given ample support and time to affect a clean transition, one should witness only a great convention. I hope the delegates in Philadelphia experience UNAC with ever greater activities, seminars, scholarships and worship services.

The Whole Truth is acknowledging the next level of UNAC-5 development and asks that all Saints pray and support the new Chairman.

NOTICE

Bishop A. R. Hopkins and the membership of the Greater Solid Rock Church Of God In Christ, located in Portland, Oregon are wonderful people. They opened their doors to the editor during this past Women's International Convention. We spent a Sunday morning of fellowship and worship together. The fellowship was sweet in the Lord and good for all. Truly the Saints are the best people one can find. I had the opportunity to experience a classic example of fellowship among Saints in Portland.

Again I say thanks and send my greetings from Memphis, Tennessee.

David A. Hall, Editor

ROSES...

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General Board were entering the coliseum. A great standing ovation went up; still it was more like a praise offering to God, as God's servant returned to his people. Bishop Patterson waved to the Saints and the glory of the Lord filled the room.

When the hour for Bishop Patterson to speak came, it was Second Assistant Presiding Bishop C. D. Owens who presented, "God's Man of Faith and Power", Bishop J. O. Patterson.

Bishop shaped his remarks well. His voice was strong, assertive and clear. He extended his personal appreciation to the two assistant presiding officers, the General Board, Board of Bishops and the Saints in general for their support and kindness. He stated that in his opinion, "Mother Mattie McGlothen was the greatest leader ever in the Women's Department." Her leadership has brought peace and character to the Women's organization.

Concerning his bout with serious illness, the bishop characterized it as a great and traumatic experience. He testified of rising one morning in discomfort. After going to the hospital and having subsequent tests made, he was informed that he would be hospitalized. Test revealed a blockage and surgery was ordered. During surgery, a malignancy was discovered. Bishop told the doctor he was in the Lord's hands. The doctor commented tersely that bishop was in his hands. That comment made the bishop spiritually mad. Bishop Patterson decided to make a stand on the Word of God.

When chemotherapy was scheduled, Bishop Patterson said he went to the Saint's hospital, the prayer meeting at Pentecostal Temple Institution Church Of God In Christ. He told the Saints, "I will live as long as the Saints say live." Bishop knows of case after case of Saints who requested the Saints stop praying for them. Bishop proclaimed the devil has no victory whether he lives or dies. Bishop went on to admonish the Saints to be holy and keep praying.

With words seasoned in serious warning, bishop called the Church to repentance. He affirmed that our Saints live holy and righteous lives but warned them against being at ease. Sins of being idle, joking, not praying, not fasting, etc. are the little foxes which destroy the vine. In conclusion he spoke of old fashion holiness traditions. He lamented that he was continually busy, maybe too busy with projects and programs. He affirmed the need to rest wholly upon the Lord. He told a story of the child seeking comfort from her father upon the death of her mother. In the darkness of the room she asked her father was he looking at her? He informed her he was and the knowledge of that fact was comforting. God is the same way, the bishop informed the Saints. With tears in eyes and voice cracking he praised God for his face that shines through the darkest of times.

Of all who stood behind the pulpit at the Women's Convention, it was Bishop Patterson who took the Roses.

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New Security Team Functions



Bishop and Mrs. Patterson escorted by Chief Hudson, Officers Best and Benjamin Bell.

Elder A. Z. Hudson, Chief of Church Of God In Christ Security and his team of officers provided security for the First Family, during the Women's International Convention. Elder Hudson and the team escorted the bishop and family around Portland, to and from the convention activities. In the words of Elder Hudson, "the team is very pleased to serve our bishop."

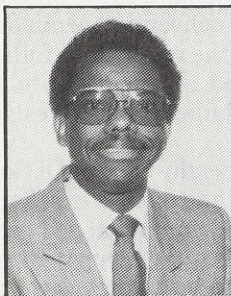
Each member of the security personnel is a current or former police professional. The security persons demonstrated true professionalism and made bishop's travel in and out of the airport a matter of ease. With so much happening these days, a worldwide leader needs that extra bit of special attention.

It was interesting to see bishop traveling with so much security. Elder Hudson commented that all the members wanted to participate in this particular coverage because it was the first. The initial detail was special. In a way it was a historical assignment and hence one to remember.

This initial tour of duty included some really outstanding individuals. Included in this first detail were Detective Barbara Jackson, Cleveland, Ohio, Sergeant Carroll Best, Yonkers, New York and Bishop Harold Benjamin, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, (Retired, U.S. Army Weapons Expert). There was a special set of participating officers deputized to help with local logistics. They were Elders L. Dent and C. Brandon. They worked unselfishly to provide transportation and other services. Added help was given by Superintendent A. W. Williams of Flint, Michigan. He regularly serves as a Marshall during the national conventions. Then, there is the Chief of Security, Elder A.Z. Hudson, a retired Captain, New York Police Department.

The entire staff of security officers is sixteen strong. They will work whenever called upon to provide the necessary protection and services to the General Board of Bishops and the First Family.

National Pastors/Elders Conference '89



Elder F. E. Knight

theme of the conference is "The Dynamics of Effective Communication for Growth."

Chairman Knight commented "This conference is designed for pastors, elders and their wives. As we go forth to bear fruit and spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, our minds must be renewed and we must be prepared and ready. We must continually have our minds and hearts instructed. This conference will educate, inform, and provide information exchange that will allow for the growth of the Body of Christ." The topics are varied and interesting. The delegates will be challenged by the following courses 1) Church financing, 2) The Elders Role in Leading the Church, 3) Church Leadership in the 90's, 4) How to Conduct Good Meetings, 5) Rightly Dividing the Word of God, 6) Closing the Back Door to Your Church.

The cost of attending the conference is very nominal, \$125.00 per person. This will cover the cost of materials for the sessions and the banquet. This does not include hotel and travel expenses, but the committee has secured good hotel rates. Travel

Special Announcement James Oglethorpe Patterson Fine Arts Appreciation Scholarship

The James Oglethorpe Patterson Fine Arts Appreciation Scholarship activities are held in Memphis, Tennessee, during the November Convocation. The preliminary activity for this competitive scholarship convenes Friday morning of the Convocation at 10:00 a.m., in the Chapel of the Pentecostal Institutional Church Of God In Christ, Linden Avenue at Danny Thomas Boulevard, Bishop J.O. Patterson, Sr., Pastor.

Finalists are selected among the applicants, based on their skills and abilities in the arts, by a panel of judges. The finalists are asked to exhibit their talent at the Presiding Bishop's Benefit Dinner which is held annually on the Saturday of the November Convocation at 4:00 p.m., at which time scholarships are awarded to the finalists based upon their excellence in performance and achievement.

1. To cultivate broader acceptance and deeper appreciation for Fine Arts talents in our Church.
2. To stimulate and enhance interest in careers and advanced studies in Fine Arts.
3. To motivate and encourage greater self-expression among our youth who possess Fine Arts talent.
4. To emphasize the applicability of Fine Arts to effective ministries in the Church.
5. To offer financial assistance to promising persons who are seeking to further develop their skills in Fine Arts and who correlate their skills and abilities with spiritual growth and development.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Any member of the Church Of God In Christ is eligible who is between the ages of sixteen and twenty-six (16-26).
2. The applicant should be contemplating or currently pursuing a career in some area of Fine Arts at a school or university in the area of Performing Art: Music - vocal or instrumental; Drama - speech, communications, dramatic or oral interpretation, theater; Visual Art: painting, sculpture, crafts, creative drawings.
3. Each applicant should bring a copy of a transcript or progress report from the previous or current semester's grades from high school, college or university where applicant is attending.
4. Each applicant should be briefly interviewed by one of the judges.
5. Performing artists should prepare two different memorized selections (preferably classical music).
6. Visual artists should exhibit at least two or three original art works.
7. The applicants presentation should not be longer than five minutes.

Mail Application to:

Sara Jordan Powell
Fine Arts Director
Church Of God
In Christ, Inc.
c/o Office of Saints Center
272 South Main Street
Memphis, TN 38103



Sarah Jordan Powell

to Chicago is being managed through Saints Group Travel Association, the official travel agency for the Church. For hotel reservations at the McCormick Center Hotel call toll free 1-800-342-1052. To make best and lowest air and train travel arrangements call toll free 1-800-426-2861.

Chairman Knight encourages all delegates to arrive Monday, September 11, 1989. Registration will commence promptly at 12:00 p.m. A tour of Chicago will be given that day and for those seeking a worship experience, a conference pre-musical will be conducted Monday night. Elder Knight hopes many wives will attend the conference because the COGIC ministry has always been pastor/wife oriented. He is mindful of the personal commitment and contribution of the pastor's wife.

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Please Check One:

☐ Music ☐ Drama ☐ Visual Arts

Please note: If you become a recipient of a James Oglethorpe Patterson Fine Arts Appreciation Scholarship, after you have been accepted at a school, college or university, you may return the voucher by mail which was issued to you at the Presiding Bishop's Benefit Dinner, and the check for your scholarship award will be forwarded directly to the designated office of your school, college or university. No checks will be mailed to you personally or to your residence. Please mail voucher to:

The Charles Harrison Mason Foundation
272 South Main Street
Memphis, Tennessee 38103
Attention: Elder O. Theodore Massey
Assistant Executive Director

Important Notice! C. W. Williams Scholarship

During the UNAC-5 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the International Sunday School Department will present the First Annual C. W. Williams Sunday School Scholarship. This annual scholarship is to be given in honor of Bishop C. W. Williams, in gratitude for his longevity and distinguished service in the Church Of God In Christ.

The Committee will be prepared to receive applicants during this current UNAC. Certainly, time is pressing, but the committee wanted to start the scholarship, as it is overdue. Bishop Williams has worked faithful for years and years. Applicants are encouraged to bring the requested materials to Philadelphia. The committee will be prepared to screen applicants and select the first scholarship winner in Philadelphia. Bring application to the Sunday School Headquarters Room at the Wyndham Plaza Hotel.

All Applicants fill out the following:

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Saved life (years) _____
Sunday School Function _____
School of higher learning accepted/attending _____

Attach the following information:

1. Personal statement on goals
2. Spiritual goals
3. GPA (Grade Point Average)
4. Pastor's Recommendation
5. Support financial
6. In 35 words or less—Why you should win the scholarship.

Committee Members:

Mother Ann Williams	Elder Cephus McGhee
Dr. Samuel Fluker	Sister Dorothy Knight
Mother Frances C. Curtis	Sister Thelma Butts
Elder Robert Smith	Sister Margaret Threldred

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Texas Southeast Second Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Women's Department

Oh! what a glorious time we were blessed with during our Sixth (6th) Annual State Women's Convention, held May 2-5, 1989 in the city of Beaumont, Texas.

Hosting districts were: Woodville District - Missionary Ethel Hunt, District Missionary and Supt. E. Joiner, District Superintendent; Greater Port Arthur District - Supt. L. M. Johnson, District Superintendent.

Our Theme for the Convention was: "Dedicated Women: Indispensable to Successful (COGIC) Ministry." Phil. 4:2-4

The convention opened with a local Boy Scout group as Color Guard presenting the American Flag and The Christian Flag. Missionary Lillian Billie, State Minister of Music, along with Brother Riley of Beaumont, steerheaded a Pre-musical on Tuesday night (May 2, 1989) of the convention. Various choirs of the Golden Triangle (Port Arthur, Beaumont and Houston, Texas) were featured for the musical.

Prayer marked the beginning of each day at 11:00 a.m. as the Day Sessions offered dynamic Workshops daily. Auxiliary Workshop Theme: "The Clarion Call for Dedicated Women in the Ministry of the Church." Judges 5:6-7 Directors of the Workshop were Missionary A. J. Thomas and Missionary Thelma Dixon.

On Wednesday, District Missionary Annie M. Cooper of Texas Southwest, presented the High-noon message. Wednesday night was Civic Night. The Mayor of Beaumont presented Our President, Mother Earnestine S. White with the key to the city. Elder Albert White extended a warm welcome from the Ministerial Alliance of the city. Each auxiliary paraded their banners on this night, also; along with each District Missionary. Our evening speaker was Supervisor Ruby Smith of Texas Southeast.

Thursday - a continuance of the day workshop;

District Missionary Verda Benson of Greater Pentecostal District and District Missionary Ethel Hunt of Woodville districts presented the high-noon messages.

The evening services on Thursday were in honor of our President, Mother Earnestine White. She was the speaker for the hour. Auxiliaries of the Jurisdiction showered her with gifts and Love Tokens, since Mother's Day was at hand. Awards were given to the districts with the most compliments and Red Card delegates for the International Women's Convention. Friday - High-noon speakers were Missionary Icie Scott of Greater Port Arthur district and District Missionary A. J. Thomas of the Greater Evangelist district. Our evening service was blessed with a "New Feature", a "MaleChorus." Little Ms. Pat Harris presented her own composition entitled "No Second Chance."

Mrs. Emma Gene Rowry presented "Special Interest Topics":

1. How and when to talk to your child about *Sexual Abuse*
2. Teenage Suicide awareness

Our Jurisdictional Prelate, Bishop A. L. Thomas, Sr., highlighted the climaxing of our convention with the Word of God, "Living on the right side of the Comma." II Corinth. 4:2-12

We furl our banners and bow in humble submission to our Creator, for the wonderful works he has wrought in the hearts of men.

We thank God for the many that repented and the many bodies that were healed.

MOTHER EARNESTINE S. WHITE
Convention President

BISHOP A. L. THOMAS, SR.
Jurisdictional Prelate

MRS. DORIS HICKS
Recorder

Bishop's Wives Award Scholarship



Mary L. Webster, scholarship winner—Mrs. J. H. Sherman confers with Elder O. T. Massey, Mason Foundation Officer

During the Women's International Convention, the Board of Bishop Wives presented their annual graduate scholarship. The Deborah Mason Patterson Scholarship was awarded to Sister Mary L. Webster of Chicago, Illinois. Mary is a graduate of the Mason Theological Seminary (ITC), in Atlanta, Georgia. She holds a Masters degree in Christian Education. Sister Webster is currently enrolled in a Doctor of Education course at the National College of Education, in Evanston, Illinois. The Scholarship money will help offset the very expensive cost for obtaining the degree. Her doctoral major is in "Instructional Leadership."

Mary is an active person and faithfully attends Freedom Temple COGIC and her pastor is Dr. Cody V. Marshall. She serves as principal of the Faith Christian Academy of Evanston, Illinois. The fully accredited school has 88 students. Bishop C. L. Moody is Founder of the school.

Mary Webster is a person developing her skills and talents today in order to better serve Christ and Church tomorrow.

Post Convention Trip to Alaska

This years Women's International Convention offered a post convention trip to Alaska. The trip was built as "An adventure you will never forget!" Bishop and Mrs. C. D. Williams and Mother Lillie Mae Howard, Supervisor of Women for Alaska, made good on that claim. The tour was five days of activities and fellowship.

One hundred seventy-five (175) ladies went to Alaska for a short visit. The women participating in the tour were from every section of America. Just having finished the 39th annual convention in Portland, Oregon, the ladies were ready to enjoy the scenery and people of the distant state. Supervisor Willie Mae Rivers, of Goose Creek, S.C., was taken with the snow-capped mountains and reflected, "When you look at this city (Anchorage) spread out between the sea and the colorful mountains, you truly realize the wonders of God." Mother Carrie Dinwiddie of Illinois appreciated the experience in Alaska. She coordinated the convention seminars and worked very hard during the week. For Mother Dinwiddie, Alaska presented an opportunity to slow down. For most of the ladies it was a restful time.

The saints of the Greater Friendly Church Of God In Christ prepared great food and offered excellent hospitality. The saints enjoyed their meal and continued the day's activity. The women spent three days in Anchorage touring the city. They saw the beautiful Alaskan countryside while touring on a train ride to Fairbanks. Portage Glacier, Mt. McKinley and the colorful wild life of Alaska left each one with lasting memories.

secretaries stop using the Church or pastor's address on the local Elders' cards. They usually return those cards for cards having their own personal address. She further stated that proper zip coding and an alphabetized registration are critical to doing credentials correctly.

Elder Smith and Missionary Motley are joined in their work by three employees. Missionary Genvea M. Whitmore, Ms. Barbara Mitchell and Mrs. Patricia Walker, all of whom serve as computer operators. The faithful staff have helped Elder Smith accomplish a much needed service to the Church.

All credential holders should receive their cards in the near future. In April, the reports were paid and as of May 31, 1989 the first region was mailed. There are five regions in total and more than 30,000 credential holders to serve.

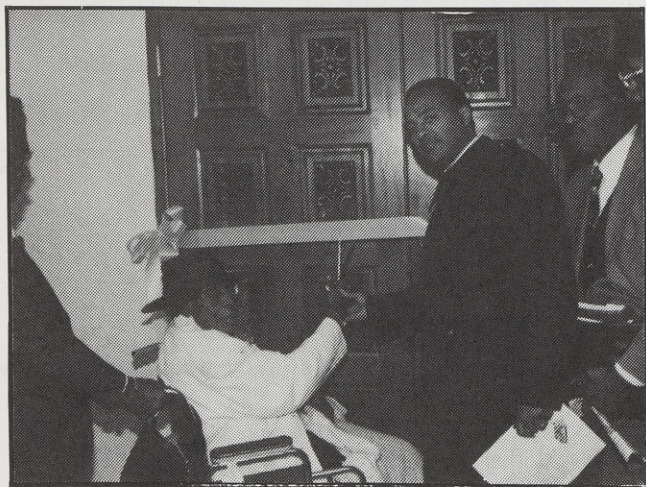
McGlothen Library/Museum Dedicated

Bishop W. Wyatt Hamilton and the saints of the Northern California region attended the dedication ceremonies of the Dr. Mattie McGlothen Library/Museum. February, 1989 the International Supervisor of the Women's Department was honored by saints, civic and professional people from the Northern California area.

The McGlothen Library/Museum, located in the McGlothen Temple Church Of God In Christ complex, is a newly constructed building that houses books, video and audio cassette tapes, educational aids and extensive pamphlets, files of church literature and programs, children's reading material and the McGlothen Temple historical files. It will be a full service Library/Museum for the religious community and in the future will help preserve the heritage of the saints.

After a splendid dedicatory worship, Mother and all the saints gathered for the ribbon cutting. Bishop Hamilton shared in the honors with Dr. McGlothen. The saints and friends then took a grand tour of the facility.

The Dedication Committee Members were as follows: Sister Vivian Irvin, Sister Sandra Deville, Missionary Victoria Williams, Missionary Hester Evans, Missionary Matilda Ficklin, Mother Willie Mae Johnson, Missionary Carrie Veal, Deacon Robert Smith, Deacon Michael Price, Brother Michael Butler. Pastor John S. Jennings and Deacon Rufus Robinson were ex-officio members.



Mother McGlothen cuts the ribbon.

Clergy Bureau Punches Them Out!



Elder Samuel Smith checks the quality of work.

Elder Samuel Smith, the Executive Director of the Church Of God In Christ Clergy Bureau of Identification and staff have been extremely busy punching out new clergy identification cards. Elder Smith has served the Church for over 14 years but never witnessed such a rapid and thorough job of preparing the plastic cards. Along with Assistant Director, Missionary Dorothy Motley and three computer operators, the massive job is being worked through in record time.

How is Elder Smith turning April Reports into credential/identification cards? The smooth operation was made possible with the newly purchased Data Card Model 310 Computerized Embosser. The machine gives the staff increased capacity and higher productivity. The old embosser was much less efficient and had a 25% damage rate. It simply could not keep up with the demands of the job. Only ten years ago, the bureau punched out 7,000 cards. Now there are over 30,000 credentials punched and mailed annually. Elder Smith informed *The Whole Truth*, "I'm very happy the General Board and Board of Trustees understood the necessity of having this new machine."

Missionary Motley wanted to share a word of information with all jurisdictional secretaries. She informed the paper that some jurisdictional secretaries fail to get adequate addresses, therefore, credentials needlessly come back. She prefers the

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Totally Gospel On The Rise!

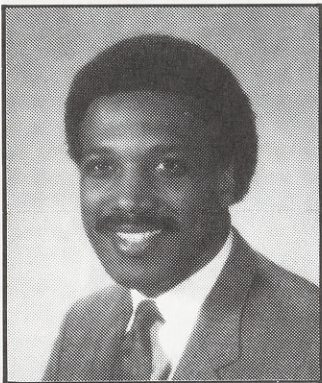
More than 20 million people in America have a love for gospel music. That type of market encouraged Tyrone Hemphill to launch an ambitious project for development of a gospel music magazine. Gospel Music is a way of life with most black Christians and is making quick inroad to the white segment. *Totally Gospel* magazine reflects the latest events, personalities and musical trends in gospel. The magazine's appeal cuts across racial, economic and religious lines.

Totally Gospel has a circulation of over 25,000 and that figure reflects an increase of 20,000 in four months. Currently it is hot, making its way into 25 cities nationwide. For Bro. Hemphill, the magazine is another method to introduce the message of Jesus and reinforce what real gospel music personalities are like.

Each month, the magazine features a gospel group. The well written articles, beautiful color photos and professional presentations make the magazine much appreciated. The avid reader and the professional critic can see the quality jumping from the pages.

Who is the publisher? Tyrone J. Hemphill is a native of Detroit. He is an excellent musician, song writer and producer/promoter of top gospel talent. To his credit are associations with the Thomas Whitfield Company, Vickie Winans and James Cleveland, for whom he has written music. He also was composer and director for a major off-Broadway play featuring several top gospel artists.

There is more to the man than music, Hemphill is a former teacher and is the business manager for the St. Paul Apostolic Faith Church. He is forty years of age, married, and has two children. For his part in *Totally Gospel*, it is a commitment to the Lord and all things vital to securing a better world. Gospel Music is ministry and reporting about its far reaching message is significant.



Tyrone Hemphill

TESTIMONY

At the time God told Elder Paul Sherfield that he was to be an example, he did not know what God meant. He did not know in what way or how he was to be an example.

Since that time, it has been revealed and experienced exactly what God meant. Elder Paul Sherfield was to be an example in kindness, love, giving, living, persecution, ostracism, and greatest of all, faith.

On last week when Paul Sherfield had risen from a peaceful night's rest to his daily morning prayer of restoration and praise, and prayer for God's protection for that day, he proceeded to dress. As he was dressing, he noticed something crawling on his left hand. He only hit at it. He didn't actually see what it was. Elder Paul Sherfield completed dressing.

Later on that same day, Elder Sherfield had a doctor's appointment at Kino Hospital. He was to go in for his weekly dressing change on his right leg. When the nurse, Ms. Anderson, raised his pants leg, she screamed. On his right leg was a scorpion 1½ to 2 inches long resting just above the bandage.

Just like Paul in the Bible when he shook the viper from his hand into the fire demonstrating God's miraculous power of protection, God had protected Paul Sherfield from this tormenting poisoning pain also.

The nurse, Ms. Anderson, knocked the scorpion onto the floor and terminated his life. Mrs. Ionia Sherfield stated that if the scorpion had stung him while she was driving, he would have screamed with great pain and discomfort which would have resulted in a automobile accident.

They both thank God for His great power of protection. They will praise God all the day long for not allowing this poisonous insect to sting him. This poisonous beast had been on his person for approximately 5½ hours without stinging him. This truly was a miracle. God honored his prayer of faith for protection for that day. Praise God this truly was a miracle!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Written by Delma Baker for Elder P. Sherfield

Times! Times of Refreshing

Bishop C. H. Mason
1121 Mississippi Ave., Memphis, Tenn.
"Times, Times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord." — Acts 3:19.

Now from this text all of the Saints may see that God our Father has purposed in himself to give unto his people times of refreshing. But it is not for us to know the time when they shall be, for God has the times in his own power. Acts 1:7. We may be in them when they come, if we repent.

When one repents to God it gives him, that he may glorify God for what he has done in them and for what he will do. Peter, full of the Holy Ghost after the lame man was healed by the name of Jesus through them, stirred the rulers and leaders of the people that they had to confess that it was a wonderful miracle and it could not be denied, but they forbid the Apostles to teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John, full of the Holy Ghost, asked them to judge, whether it was right to obey them rather than God. The Apostles were threatened and let go. They returned to the saints and reported what God had done through them and what the rulers had said to them. The all glorified God and said: Grant unto thy servants that with all boldness they may speak thy word, and that signs and wonders be done by the name of the Holy Child Jesus, by stretching forth thy hand to heal. And when they had prayed, the place was shaken, where they were assembled, and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and spake the word of God with boldness. Oh, it was a time of refreshing of the saints after they had been filled with the Holy Ghost. Many souls were added to the Church daily.

Again I will say unto the saints, be renewed in the spirit of your mind and be filled with the spirit, for the time of refreshing is come from the presence of the Lord to restore his little ones that are longing to get back to their first love and the joy they once had, when they first knew the Lord and were filled with the Holy Ghost.

Remember that Jesus said: Blessed are they that do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Oh, God, renew and refresh they children everywhere, that thy name be glorified in all they say and do through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The refreshing is coming; repent and be ready every one, for God will send Jesus in spirit to do and carry on the mighty work of God in every one of his little ones.

It will be good for all to repent, for God himself repents when he sees the people repenting. Jer. 18:8-10. He will not let come upon them the evil he thought to let come if we repent and turn unto him. So many today in the Church that have thought wrong of another and speaking wrong to each other and has not repented for it. The word of God says: "Speak evil of no man." Titus 3:2. so many have grieved the spirit. Hear what the word of the Lord says: Let all bitterness and wrath, and anger, clamor and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another. Even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. Eph. 4:30-32.

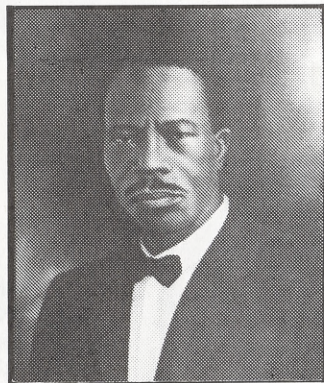
How many times may we be renewed? Our inner man may be renewed day by day. II Cor. 4:16. What is it that renews us? It is the Holy Ghost. Titus 3:5.

The refreshing that comes from the Lord, will make you quick to hear the Lord and slow to speak. quick to duty and slow to neglect duty in Church and to one another.

It will help you to suffer long with them that do evil. The refreshing is not getting another Holy Ghost, but the same spirit that teaches all things of Jesus.

I have heard of some saying that what he has received, beat the Holy Ghost. No, we can never get anything from God to beat Christ in the Holy Ghost. For he is the first and the last. Rev. 1:11-17. So if anything tells you that, you may know that it is the devil and not the Lord.

The devil is only giving a lie to speak against the Holy Ghost, so that you may not be forgiven in this world nor the world to come. ►



Bishop C. H. Mason

My Testimony

By Elder Andrew L. Wilson

This is a testimony in the memory of Bishop James I. Doswell. This testimony is given by Elder Andrew L. Wilson, associate minister of Doswell Cathedral Church Of God In Christ, located in Baltimore, Maryland.

Sunday, September 18, 1988, I had a very, very bad asthma attack. I called my pastor, Bishop James Doswell, who in turn prayed for me during that time of illness. The problem eased up somewhat and I attribute that to his faithful prayer. That evening my breath began to get short again, it was about 9:00 p.m. The emergency wagon was called to rush me to the hospital. I arrived at Maryland General in a troubled state. The doctors got me stabilized in the emergency room. It seemed I was getting better, then suddenly my breath got very short again. Shorter and shorter, until I could hardly talk. Thank the Lord I had the presence of mind to call on the name of Jesus. I was able to say, "Jesus, Jesus."

Soon I could not say that. The breath was leaving my body. Finally, I had no breath in my body. Efforts were begun to revive me. To them, I appeared dead. Satan had stolen my life. They did everything they could for me that night. The doctor informed me that I was clinically dead. I was hooked up to a respirator and oxygen supplied to my brain. Other support kept my vital organ functioning. I could not know what they had planned for me; but I thank God, He did have a plan!

Early the next morning at about 6:00 a.m. the Lord touched me. I turned the TV on and the doctors came running into the room. I was watching cartoons. To their surprise, I was moving my hands and laid there with my eyes opened. They could not believe what was happening. They said I was not supposed to be alive. The doctor told me I was clinically dead. Praise God! Thank you Jesus! The Lord gave me another chance to live to praise his Holy Name.

I submit this testimony to the glory of God and the memory of Bishop Doswell, a man who taught me faith.

Evangelist Rosa L. Monroe Bible Way C.O.G.I.C. Cincinnati, Ohio Inspirational Talk The Copyright of Salvation

A Copyright is obtained to protect the written work of a writer. A number is registered in the name of the author, and issued from the Library of Congress. Well, Jesus is the copyright of salvation.

There is no other name given whereby we must be saved, but by the name Jesus. Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. Jesus, the written word, for in the beginning was the word, and the word was with God, and the word was God.

Jesus was registered in the heavenly Library of Congress, for at his baptism, God spoke out of heaven, saying, "this is my beloved Son, in whom I'm well pleased." And the number issued was 1 - 2 - 3.

One for God, for God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Two for Jesus, the Son of God, for the angel declared to Joseph, concerning his birth, "and she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins."

Three, for the Holy Ghost, that was the fulfilling of the promise of God. In the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my spirit upon all flesh, your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions.

Jesus is the fulfilling of all needs, the answer to every condition, the solution to every problem.

Listen, let's run, run to Jesus, for he is, he's the Copyright of Salvation, yes He is!

When you are renewed and refreshed from the Lord it will make your love increase for all, whether they be weak or strong. Paul said: Since he heard of the faith of the Ephesians in Christ and their love unto all the saints. Eph. 1:15. He cease not to give thanks to God, making mention of you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him.

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Women's Convention Highlights

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Howard, Dinwiddie, Rivers, Ford, etc. These women, at every point, were business-like, supportive and prayerful.

By Thursday night, Dr. Mattie was scheduled to speak. All the delegates were ready to hear mother, however, she reached back and brought two of her spiritual daughters forward. Mrs. Mae C. Winbush and Mrs. Winifred Morris. Missionary Winbush is the wife of General Board member, Bishop Roy L. Winbush and Dr. Morris is the wife of Philadelphia's "Personal Touch Preacher," Elder Ernest Morris. However, on this night, the Ladies stood their on personal merits and delivered truly dynamic messages. Mother McGlothen introduced her choices and referred to them as "power behind the throne." After they spoke, there was no denying the power of God within each lady.

The convention was an economic blessing to the community. Moreover, our spiritual elevation of life in Portland was noticeable. People in hotels, cab drivers and regular citizens commented very positively about the saints.

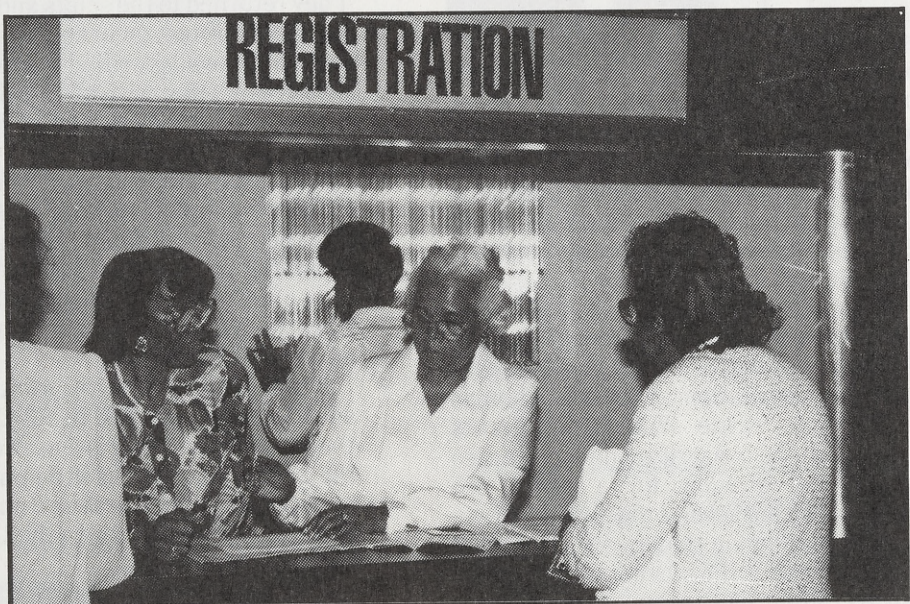
The following night our Chief Apostle J. O. Patterson, Sr. made his annual convention address. Bishop has recovered from surgery and is trusting the Lord for his complete healing. Bishop Patterson stood before the convention with fire in his heart and a great witness in his mouth. He told the saints, they and the Lord would determine the years and the quality of life he will have. The saints were visibly moved by his testimony. Bishop J. D. Husband was asked to pray for Bishop Patterson by First Assistant Presiding Bishop Ford. The prayer was powerful and the glory of God showered down upon the saints and our Leader.

The entire Women's International Convention was filled with meaningful praise, ministry oriented activities and good fellowship. Hopefully the 40th Annual in Cincinnati will be as inspiring.



Portland's Sister Green welcomes Bishop and Mrs. Samuel Lowe to the Western Benson Hotel.

Mother Freddie Bell was at her usual station: hard at work. She and staff made registration easy.



After registration these lovely ladies rested comfortably.



Bishops of the Great Pacific Northwest enjoyed the Women's Convention. Bishops J. C. Foster, T. L. Westbrook and A. R. Hopkins help make the convention a success.



Anyone for "Practical English?" It was one of many training seminars conducted.



The sweetest one-two punch ever! Mother McGlothen selected two speakers to fill in for her. Missionary Mae C. Winbush set them up and Missionary Winifred Morris scored the knock-out.

Letter to the Editor

423 Mississippi Avenue
Clarksdale, MS 38614
May 2, 1989

Dear Editor:

I am writing to tell you and every saint, or whoever subscribes to *The Whole Truth* Paper about just a small part of my life after the Lord saved me and how God reached out to me through a mother who had the paper.

I thought that when a person got saved or sanctified, it would just be love, joy, peace, happiness, etc. Well, it was that alright, but I did not know about the tests and trials that went along with that. That was about forty two years ago in the year 1946. I thought that the saints knew and could tell if a person was not saved, as he should be, and that they knew if a person had wrong thoughts or had lied about something. You see, I thought that they were like Peter when he told Ananias and Sapphira that they would die because they had lied to the Holy Ghost. Oh, I thought so many things that I had not been taught; but I thank God that he saved me, and I was born with the Spirit on May 2, 1946. I saw in the Bible, Acts 2:4, how the saints spake with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance; and I thought that if they had to do that, then I had to do it too. That's why I began to seek the Lord for the fullness of God with speaking in tongues; and on June 7, 1946, God baptized me with the Holy Ghost, in the fullness with the evidence of speaking in tongues. I don't think that anyone could imagine the tests, trials, tribulations, persecutions, whatever, that came against me.

I would like to tell the whole story but it would take a book to do that. The point that I'm trying to make is this: I lived a very far distance from any saints, down in the *country* at Alligator, Mississippi. I had no one to talk to me and help me; but there was one Mother of the Church, whose name was Bettye Cooper, who received *The Whole Truth* Paper every month. I didn't know anything about that, but I do know that she gave me *The Whole Truth* paper each month after she had read it. She said that the Lord had told her to give me the paper. I thank God for the testimonies, teachings, and experiences that the saints had written in *The Whole Truth* paper. It was my help. It was as if they knew just what I needed. Well, it's in my heart that there may be others who are now as I was then. There are many of us who have had experiences about God and deliverances, but have never told about them. Now is a good time to start telling about these experiences and I will encourage saints that I know to start subscribing for the paper. I pray that God will bless our *Whole Truth* paper and direct our hearts to tell of the wonders of God in righteousness and true holiness. Who knows, we just might start a *Whole Truth* Paper revival. May God Bless.

Yours in Christ for Souls,
Evangelist Ruby Lee Paden

Editor Answers Back

Dear Missionary Paden:

I pray also that God will bless *The Whole Truth* and direct the hearts of the Saints to subscribe. One might believe my vested interest definitely colors my hopes and aspirations for the paper. I sincerely believe every person who has membership in the Church Of God In Christ should subscribe to their official church organ. They should read and enjoy the paper, then share the news, testimonies and various information with others. The newspaper has always stood for the righteousness of God and reporting how that righteousness is manifested within the Church. Naturally, our Church's organizational meetings and policies should reflect the Christ within. As a result, only the most vital and necessary news is presented to inform the Saints. *The Whole Truth* is a quality newspaper. Down through the years it has been faithful to its calling.

Many people of your generation have told me of events where healing and great deliverance occurred upon reading the paper. I'm glad to say God yet honors this ministry with reports much like those. Several testimonies have been printed and people have written to inform me that the paper was instrumental in saving an individual. *The Whole Truth* is for reporting news of the Church, yes, but more importantly it is about the ministry. Anything in the Church's organization should lead to helping someone be sustained.

Saints like you make the paper better. Hopefully, someone will read one or all the fine articles you have contributed and be encouraged to hold on.

Use Us Lord In Thy Service

This is the motto of Elder Melvin and Missionary Rebecca Barnett, of Memphis, Tennessee, who are known as Mr. and Mrs. Hospitality by the Department of Missions.

Elder and Missionary Barnett started using their vans to serve the delegates, as courtesy drivers during the National Convocation in November and the April Call Meeting in 1970.



Bishop C. L. Moody presenting certificate of appointment to Elder and Rebecca Barnett.

They serve diligently each year. When other drivers would pass up our foreign delegates and couldn't understand their language, the Barnetts would pick them up and make sure everyone reached the appointed destination, no matter what language was spoken. Often these delegates had no monies, but the Barnetts would thank them for riding with them anyway. Little did they know that they were being observed by others. They realized the eye that is beholding the evil and the good, saw it all. A few months later they were officially appointed as the Transportation Specialist for the Department of Missions, by our International President of Missions, Bishop Carlis L. Moody; who is no respecter of persons, but is deeply concerned about the care of foreign delegates in the Department of Missions. For their gigantic task they received a certificate for services rendered to the department.

Elder Barnett is the pastor and founder of the Wall's Chapel (COGIC), where he has served for over twenty years. His wife a missionary in her own right, is an anointed teacher and singer, she works faithfully by his side. They are the proud parents of one daughter, Missionary Jean Carpenter Jacobs, two lovely granddaughters and three foster sons.

Elder Melvin Barnett and Missionary Rebecca Lockhart Barnett keep asking the Lord to use them in his service, they have been obedient to their ministry.

The Department of Missions salute you!
Julia M. Burton
Recording Secretary, Board of Missions
Bishop C. L. Moody, International President
Elder J. W. Denny, Executive Secretary

City Entertained International C.O.G.I.C. Personality

The Northern Illinois Jurisdiction Churches Of God In Christ, Inc. under the profound leadership of Bishop Isaac Roberts, Mrs. Elizabeth Cook, Supervisor of Women; Rev. Harold Pitts, Sunday School Superintendent; Mrs. C. Frances Parks, Sunday School Field Representative, celebrated their Annual State Sunday School Convention this past week at the Roberts Temple Church Of God In Christ, 4021 S. State Street, Chicago, IL. The Churches Of God In Christ, Inc. is the largest black Pentecostal denomination in the world, having more than three and one half million members.

Mrs. C. Frances Parks, State Sunday School Representative who is known for her vibrant personality, love for her fellowman, innovativeness and desire to build the overall effectiveness of the Sunday School Department decided to go to the top this year having a theme "Does the Church Need to Redefine it's Agenda?"

This convention was special in that on Thursday night, June 8, 1989, Mrs. Gloria Smith, International Sunday School Field Representative of the Church Of God In Christ, Inc. Worldwide, was the special guest and kenote speaker who addressed the convention for Representative Parks. Mrs. Smith brings greetings from Seattle, Washington, Smith Temple Church, where her husband Dr.

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Remember that Paul told the saints to be filled with the spirit. Eph. 5:18. The word refilled is not the word of the Apostle, but be filled with the Spirit. I hear that so many are getting refilled as they call it without getting renewed in the spirit of their mind, as Paul said in Eph. 4:22.

Hear Paul tell these speaking in tongues, saints to put off the old and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and then put on the new man that after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

The old man will either have put to the word or take away from it. He knows that the word says: Add not unto the word, lest he reprove thee and thou be found a liar. For every word of God is pure. Prov. 30:5-6.

So the word "refilling" with the spirit is not in the book. If we add to the word God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in the book. And if you take away from the words of the book, God will take away your part out of the Book of Life. Rev. 22:18-19. For he whom God has sent speaketh the words of God. John 3:34.

Jesus received the spirit and did as it was written of him in the book. Heb. 10:7.

Oh, when you are filled with the Holy Ghost you will do like our Lord Jesus Christ. Do what is written of you. Befilled with the spirit, and seek to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. Eph. 4:1-6.

All of the seven pastors of the seven churches that were in Asia, when God the Father gave Jesus Christ his Son, a revelation to give to John, to write and send it unto the pastors and members of the seven Churches, five of those pastors were called of God to repent. The first pastor had left his first love. He could not bear the ones that were evil. Yet God was bearing with him. So he had to repent. The second had poverty but God counted him rich and promised him a crown of life. The third had two things wrong. One was casting stumbling blocks in God's people's way, the other was the putting away of wives. That thing God hated. Rev.2:14-15. So this pastor had to repent.

Too much unrepented sins among the pastors in the churches. Sin of adultery, sin of greed for money, sin of seeking for honors, sin of beating God's poor little ones instead of feeding them. Hear God asking you saying: What meaneth ye that ye beat my people to pieces and grind the face of the poor? Isa. 3:15. The Lord says: Speak comfortable unto Jerusalem. Isa. 40:12. The sin of lust for women, sin of being lords over God's people. Some of the pastors if the members go to another church without asking him; He will make them go to the altar or keep silent or he will denounce him out. That is more than God will do. For God says: Behold I set before you good and evil, life and death, and leave it to us to choose. Pastors, we are not the people's bosses but the watchmen to give warning. If we warn them and they fail to take heed, their blood is upon them and not on the watchman. Ezek. 3:17-19. Pastors that are beating and calling God's children all kinds of names, so he can keep them under him, that he may get the dollar out of them, are called by the God of his people, "Greedy dogs." Isa. 56:19-11. They can never have enough. Pastors that don't understand, for they are looking for their own gain from his quarter. But remember, pastors, that God does not appoint dogs over his sheep to feed, but pastors after his own heart, that will give their life for the good of God's sheep. That will feed God's people with knowledge and understanding. Jer. 3:15. All pastors of that kind are called of God to repent and be renewed in the spirit of their mind and be filled with the Holy Ghost for your time is near at an end.

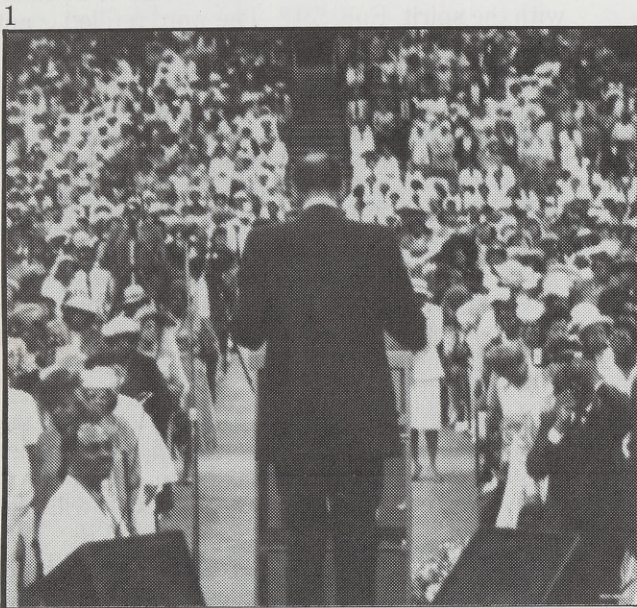
But though we or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which he have preached unto you, let him be accursed. Gal. 1:8.

Your humble servant,
Eld. C. H. Mason, Senior Bishop

Charles Smith is founder and pastor and she is a scholar, a churchwoman, a businesswoman, a saint, an avid worker in the Church Of God In Christ, faith strong advocate, supporter of Sunday School attendance and activities. She is a renowned speaker on religious and social issues.

Mrs. Smith graced our hearts with prayer and reflections on her life experiences before and after the Church Of God In Christ experience. Our hearts and souls were made glad with the presence of Sister Smith, Northern Illinois and other C.O.G.I.C. jurisdictions. We take our hats off to C. Frances Parks, you brought another phase of *Religious Recognition to the Chicago Community*.

Convention Moments



(1) The Saints stand and celebrate the return of Bishop Patterson. It was one of those special moments.

(2) Two seasoned warriors for Christ, General Board member and Vice President of the Church, Bishop L. H. Ford and Evangelist-Missionary Emily Bram-Bibby address the Saints.

(3) A Moment of Praise, as a Missionary comes from the crowd under a powerful anointing.

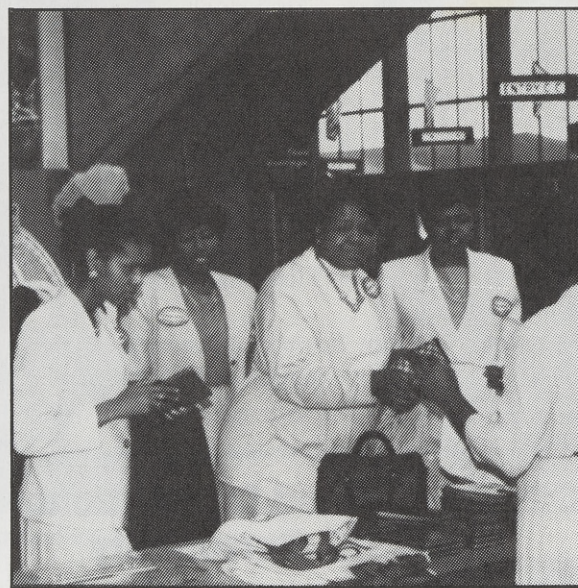
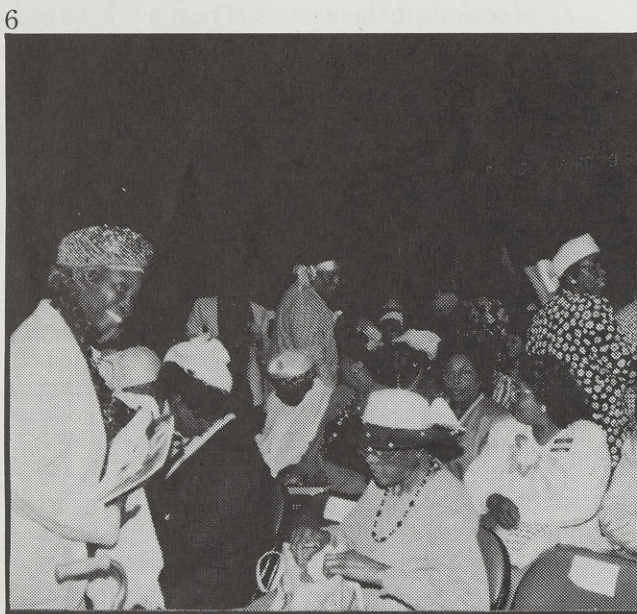
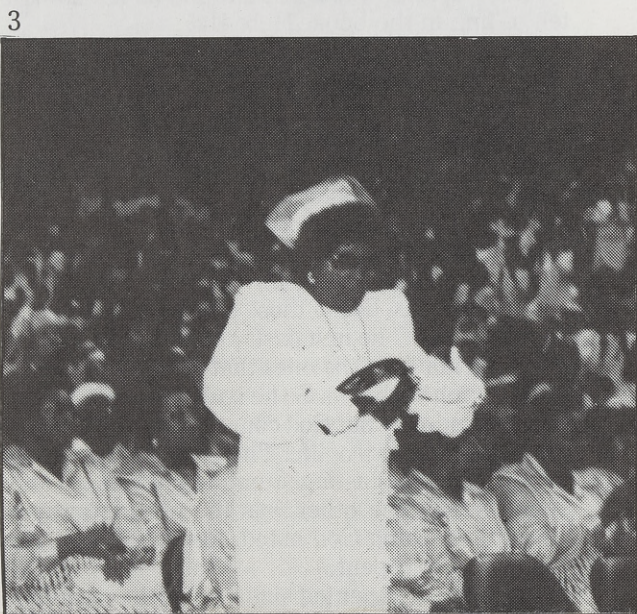
(4) A moment of personal pleasure. Pre-convention shoppers check out Portland's fashionable shoes.

(5) The men found a corner and discussed the Seminar topic. It was a moment of deep and meaningful thought.

(6) Mother Martha Walker enjoys her moment during the seminar. A seasoned scholar of grace and wisdom she shared greatly.

(7) Washington DC's St. Paul COGIC sent some dedicated workers to the convention. They took a moment to buy a few souvenirs.

(8) Is this a moment of laying on hands or laying on a hat?



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Lambert Youth Leadership Banquet

Tuesday, June 13, 1989, the Lambert Church of God In Christ conducted its "Youth Leadership Banquet." Under the capable pastorate of Bishop E. W. Rodgers, the Lambert youth workers have rewarded the local church youth for their various accomplishments, both religious and educational. The Elder Frederick Ware and the entire church pulled together to make the evening special. The activity was convened at the Holiday Inn Overton Square in Memphis, Tennessee.

Youth of all ages and grade levels were lauded by parents, friends and public officials for their hard work. Representatives from the County Mayor's office, city council and a local state representative himself, handed out many certificates of accomplishments.

Elder L. T. Frye, administrative assistant to Bishop J. O. Patterson, Jr. delivered a thoughtful address. His remarks topped off an evening of great pleasure.